

# Grenfell Support News

## Changes to air quality monitoring around Grenfell

Public Health England (PHE) has been assessing and monitoring air quality in the area surrounding Grenfell Tower since 14 June 2017. PHE would like to inform local people of changes to air quality monitoring around the Grenfell Tower site.

Dr Deborah Turbitt, deputy director for health protection at PHE London, said:

“The independent air quality monitoring we commissioned has shown the risk to people’s health from air pollution around the Grenfell Tower site to be consistently low. No asbestos has been detected, levels of particulate matter remain low, and monitoring results for other air pollutants (such as dioxins, furans, PCBs and PAHs) have been equivalent to background levels for London.

“The air quality monitoring strategy is regularly reviewed based on activities around the site. As activity on the site has reduced and the Tower is now fully covered, the strategy is being changed to

stop monitoring for dioxins, furans, PCBs, and PAHs as these chemicals are no longer likely to be released.

“The monitoring for particulate matter and asbestos will continue, to provide a baseline level, and ensure we are able to assess any impacts on air quality as and when any further activity takes place on the site.”

PHE’s weekly environmental monitoring reports for Grenfell Tower will continue to be published online at the following link [bit.ly/2tm3DDY](http://bit.ly/2tm3DDY)



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## Grenfell Tower Inquiry continues in September

Phase one of the Grenfell Tower Inquiry returns on **Monday 3 September**. It will continue to look at the events of June 14 2017, with evidence provided by firefighters, emergency service responders, and senior figures from London Fire Brigade. This evidence will feature videos, pictures and first person accounts from the night itself – as a result it could be distressing for many. The inquiry is then scheduled to hear evidence from bereaved families, survivors and local residents in October, before moving to expert witnesses in late November.

The inquiry is held at **Holborn Bars, 138-142 Holborn, EC1N 2SW**, where

members of the public are able to attend if they wish.

To keep up to date with the Inquiry, follow **@GrenfellInquiry** on Twitter and for all the information on evidence, discussions, news and the Inquiry schedule, visit [www.grenfelltowerinquiry.org.uk](http://www.grenfelltowerinquiry.org.uk)

The Inquiry is streamed live on YouTube and links to the stream are shared on the Grenfell Inquiry Twitter page each morning ([www.twitter.com/GrenfellInquiry](https://www.twitter.com/GrenfellInquiry)) and are shared by Grenfell Support ([www.twitter.com/GrenfellSupport](https://www.twitter.com/GrenfellSupport)).

There is a range of support on offer to anyone who feels affected by the ongoing

Grenfell Tower Inquiry. The Grenfell Health and Wellbeing Service and Hestia are available all day at the Inquiry. Support is also available online on the Grenfell Wellbeing website where you can self-refer: [www.grenfellwellbeing.com](http://www.grenfellwellbeing.com)



## Activities programme at The Curve Community Centre

### Monday 27 August

- Closed for Notting Hill Carnival



### Tuesday 28 August

- **10.30am–12.30pm** – CV workshop and job search workshop with Jasmine from NOVA. All ages welcome (drop-in)
- **10am–3pm** – Fouzia's Sewing Club – drop-in sewing club for all, grow your skills, knit and natter
- **12noon–1pm** – Come along to our Family Reading Group. Together we will read, share, craft and play at these friendly welcoming sessions. This group is geared towards kids aged five to 10 and their families, however kids of any age are welcome to join in. Please contact Erin on **07483 972020** or [erincarlstrom@thereader.org.uk](mailto:erincarlstrom@thereader.org.uk) to find out more
- **5pm–7pm** – Arabic language classes for ages seven plus (registration is required, please email [thecurve@rbkc.gov.uk](mailto:thecurve@rbkc.gov.uk))



### Wednesday 29 August

- **10am–12noon** – World Coffee Morning – free and open to all for a coffee and a chat
- **10.30am–12.30pm** – CV workshop and job search workshop with Jasmine from NOVA. All ages welcome (drop-in)
- **1pm–2.30pm** – Parenting seminars – open to parents of children aged two to 16. This week: Raising Competent Teenagers (book your place at [info@totalfamilycoaching.co.uk](mailto:info@totalfamilycoaching.co.uk))
- **1pm–5pm** – Drug and alcohol support session (drop-in)



### Thursday 30 August

- **10.30am–12noon** – Freestyle dance with James for ages six to 11 (drop-in)
- **12.30pm–2pm** – Freestyle dance with James for ages 12 plus (drop-in)
- **5pm–7pm** – Arabic language classes for ages seven plus (registration is required, please email [thecurve@rbkc.gov.uk](mailto:thecurve@rbkc.gov.uk) to book)
- **Time TBC** – Visit to Thorpe Park for young people aged 12 to 18. Limited places available. Deposit of £10 required. For information on this, call The Curve on **020 7221 9836** or drop-in to enquire in person. Places not guaranteed without prior booking. Time of departure will be confirmed upon booking.



The Curve Community Centre will be closed over the August Bank Holiday (**Saturday 25 August to Monday 27 August**) for Notting Hill Carnival.

The Curve will reopen as normal on **Tuesday 28 August at 10am**.

**Have a great Carnival!  
Notting Hill Carnival 2018**



The opening times for the creche at The Curve are:

**Tuesday: 9am to 3pm**

**Wednesday and Friday: 10am to 5pm**

**Thursday: 10am to 12noon**

To book a place in the creche, call **020 7221 9863** or email [thecurve@rbkc.gov.uk](mailto:thecurve@rbkc.gov.uk)

This week, The Curve Community Centre is open from **10am to 8pm Tuesday to Friday** and **11am to 6pm** on the weekend.

**The Curve Community Centre, 10 Bard Road, London W10 6TP**

Some sessions need to be booked in advance to secure your place, so email [thecurve@rbkc.gov.uk](mailto:thecurve@rbkc.gov.uk) and they will confirm your reservation by return.



For a full list of events visit [grenfellsupport.org.uk/thecurve/events](http://grenfellsupport.org.uk/thecurve/events)

This information is provided weekly by The Curve Community Centre. For more information call **020 7221 9836**

## Earn while you learn with paid training courses

Have you just finished your GCSEs or A levels? Not sure what to do next? Why not apply for a paid training course from Repowering London?

You could earn £10 an hour working two-to-six-hours a week over a four-month period. This training, that is accredited by the educational awarding body AQA, will help you boost your employability, learn life skills and meet new people. You will be trained through a combination of classroom-based learning, trips and practical work.

You will gain new skills for your CV such as:

- community engagement
- social media and marketing
- energy efficiency
- renewable energy technologies
- solar panel making.

To qualify for this course you must live in North Kensington and be aged 16 to 19. Spaces are filling fast so email, text or call to register interest on **07395 621 925** or **dave.fuller@repowering.org.uk**



## NHS support over Carnival weekend

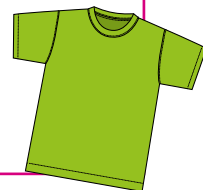
The NHS will be at Carnival this weekend and will be identifiable by their green T Shirts and NHS ID to support anyone who needs it.

The Grenfell NHS Outreach Team is available during the day. They can be called on **020 8962 4393** from **10am** to **8pm**.

Grenfell Health & Wellbeing Therapy service is not open over the weekend but you can contact them by email or refer yourself for an appointment by emailing **grenfell.wellbeing@nhs.net**

For emotional support, health and wellbeing support, and urgent mental health support, you can call **0800 0234 650**; open 24-hours-a-day, seven-days-a-week

For further information, see the CNWL website: **bit.ly/2wqE07C**



## Accessing your home during Carnival

The Council has designated safe zones that will not be open to the public during Carnival. One zone covers the local area around Grenfell Tower. Residents who live in these areas will still be able to access their homes on foot, but will need to have ID showing their name and address, such

as a bank statement, Council Tax statement, utility bill or driving licence.

A map has been uploaded to the Grenfell Support website outlining a cordon around the Grenfell Tower area. Residents who live within the blue cordon on this map can

collect up to six wristbands, with a proof of address, as an alternative to using their ID from **Unit 7 Baseline Studios** or **The Curve, 10 Bard Road, W10 6TP** or **Kensington Leisure Centre, Silchester Road, W10 6EX**.



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You can find a full sized version of this map online at **bit.ly/2Lnor6**



## Support services on offer

Anyone who would like to speak to the police in relation to the investigation into the Grenfell tragedy is asked to contact the Met Police on **0800 032 4539**.

## Important contacts

### Cruse Bereavement Care

Call the Freephone helpline on **0808 808 1677** or email **helpline@cruse.org.uk**

The helpline is open **Monday-Friday** from **9.30am to 5pm**. Extended hours Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings until 8pm.

### Replacement UK passports, visas or immigration queries

Call the Home Office advice line on **0300 303 2832**. The line is open 24 hours.

### Air quality and smoke exposure

If you have concerns about any symptoms, see your GP and mention Grenfell, they will be able to direct you appropriately.

### Housing support

If you have any questions about housing or want to find out who your housing officer is please call **0800 137 111** or **020 7361 3008**.

### Victim support

Call **0808 1689 111** for practical and emotional support, or visit **victimsupport.org.uk**. The line is open 24 hours a day.

**The Grenfell Muslim Response Unit** also offers additional support. Find out more by emailing **info@gmru.co.uk**

You can also get physical and mental support at **The Curve Community Centre**. Call **020 7221 9836**.



## Upcoming meetings

Residents welcome to attend.

### Leadership Team Meeting

Wednesday 19 September, 6.30pm  
Kensington Town Hall

### Grenfell Recovery Scrutiny Committee

Monday 15 October, 6.30pm  
Kensington Town Hall

### Full Council

Wednesday 17 October, 6.30pm  
Kensington Town Hall

## Grenfell Tower and Grenfell Walk rehousing progress update



These are the figures for  
**23 August 2018**



## Changes to the Grenfell Night Support Service over bank holiday weekend

The Grenfell Night Support Service at Notting Hill Methodist Church will operate a reduced service over the bank holiday weekend. A joint statement from Hestia and NHS Central North West London States:

"Hestia's Listening & Overnight Support service will be temporarily closed from Friday morning, **24 August at 8am** and will re-open on Tuesday night, **28 August at 10pm**.

There will be a night service open over the weekend, at the Notting Hill Methodist

Church, staffed by health professionals from CNWL; that is on **Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday** nights from **10pm to 8am**.

If you are in emotional distress and need help and support over the weekend you can also contact the NHS free of charge on **0800 0234 650** or call the Samaritans on **116 123**. You can also visit the **oknottofeelok.org** website. In a life-threatening emergency visit A&E or call **999**."

## GCSE students do themselves proud

Congratulations to all the young people across the borough who received their GCSE results this week. We know how hard all students and teachers in the borough have worked and we hope this dedication will pave the way to an exciting new chapter of your lives.

Sion-Manning Secondary School celebrated its last set of GCSE results on a high as from September the school will become co-educational and be known as All Saints. This year the school's students improved on previous years, with 10 per cent achieving five or more grade 7s or higher.

Cardinal Vaughan saw over half its pupils securing grades 7 to 9 (equivalent to A and

A\*) and three pupils achieved straight 9s in all the subjects they sat.

Chelsea Academy are also celebrating as 91 per cent of their students passed English and 75 per cent passed maths. The Academy are in the top 10 per cent for schools based on progress measured.

You will be able to access more information on the borough-wide results from next week. This information will be amplified on the RBKC twitter (**www.twitter.com/RBKC**)



The newsletter is also available in Arabic and Farsi languages.